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AMENDED SPECIFICATION PARAGRAPH

Please replace the last paragraph on page 6 with the following amended paragraph:

In this case the outer side portion 8 has a relatively large central opening. However, the free edge 10 of the side portion 8 has a circumference that is less than 2.2 times the largest diameter of the wheel 1 for which the device is to be used. In this embodiment, the outer side portion 8 radially extends from an internal circumference of the belt 3 toward the center of the wheel over a length which equals at least 17% of the largest internal diameter of the belt. Considering that the tread 4 of the wheel is about 20% of the diameter of the wheel, an opening limited in this way will not be able to jump over the wheel to bring the device in its entirety on the inner side of the wheel. The free edge 10 can be reinforced in a suitable manner.